

Figure 1), when entering the stacking area, will thus follow a flange 18 of the upper horizontal leg 12 oriented against the carriage 5. In this case during the branching action, the lower guiding roller 10 is able to run below the above mentioned flange 18 without even contacting it. As can be seen in Figure 2, as well as particularly in Figures 3 to 5, both in the region of the upper horizontal legs 12 and 12' and in the region of the lower horizontal legs 13 and 13', aligned apertures 16 respectively 17 are provided, into which centring elements 30 (~~not illustrated~~) can be inserted, guaranteeing an accurate alignment of the butt joints of adjoining guiding rails 6, respectively 6'.

~~[0020]~~ Amend paragraph [0020] as follows:

~~[0021]~~ The guiding rails 6 and 6' are attached at a sub-construction having the reference numeral 19, a surface 20 of the upper horizontal legs 12 and 12', which is oriented towards the sub-construction, ~~of the upper horizontal legs 12, respectively 12', sitting and sits~~ close to a suspended plate 23, which is web-like formed. An undercut groove 21 is assigned to each of the horizontal legs 12 and 12' in this case, with which attachment screws 22 engage. At the same time, the undercut groove 21 serves for the attachment of a bracket 24 for covering a ceiling cover (not illustrated), which engages with a hook-like projection 25 ~~with~~ the undercut groove 21. The entire sub-construction 19 may be attached at a ceiling construction (not illustrated), for example by means of threaded rods 26.

Delete paragraph [0021].

Page 12, delete the heading "Patent Claims" and add the following:

-- What is claimed is: --